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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Soviet Methodology for Forecasting Latin American
Interstate Relations

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1. [redacted] has noted that a March report from FBIS drawn from Soviet and Eastern European periodicals indicates that one E. V. Levykin explained the Soviet methodology for forecasting interstate relations in a Latin American area. I'm attaching a copy of the translation. He points out that this is a good example of Soviet intellectual confidence that disciplined Socialist thought will, in the long run, displace the confused thinking of the Bourgeois political leadership in Latin America.

2. If we were to do a study criticizing this methodology and assessing the probabilities discussed in the article, and assuming we come to a different conclusion, it might be an interesting and useful exercise. Perhaps it's one that we could release through a Congressional committee. Perhaps it's neither feasible nor worth the effort, but I drop it on the table for your consideration.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Resource Management
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

I talked with Secretary Brown about not having a zero-sum game
with the budget. He is in agreement with that. He thought we had an
understanding with OMB

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